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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF	:	Administrative Action
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AHMAD SEDEHI, D.M.D.	:	CONSENT ORDER
License No. 22DI 01375900	:	
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LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY:	:	
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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The New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") received information alleging that treatment rendered by Ahmad Sedehi, D.M.D. ("respondent") to patients T.O., and J.G. failed to conform to the standard of care for dental practice in this State and that he overbilled patient B.I. Specifically, as to patient T.O., it has been alleged that the crowns and bridges fabricated by respondent did not fit properly and the patient's periodontal condition was not appropriately addressed. As to patient J.G., respondent did not maintain proper patient records, submitted claims to a third party payor that did not reflect the actual treatment rendered, and he did not properly plan and execute J.G.'s

treatment. As to patient B.I., respondent charged for four quadrants of osseous surgery when records support the need for only one quadrant of osseous surgery.

Having reviewed the entire record including the patient complaints, patient records, respondent's billing ledgers, and respondent's narratives regarding the treatments rendered, it appears to the Board that for T.O., respondent failed to follow an appropriate sequence of treatment and failed to fabricate and deliver adequate bridges and crowns. For patient J.G., respondent failed to provide permanent dentures; failed to fabricate an adequate crown; maintained patient records which did not contain relevant entries, including a signed treatment plan; improperly billed the insurance company for permanent dentures while actually providing only temporary denture; improperly billed the insurance company for services in excess of that charged to the patient by failing to inform the insurance company of discounted fees provided to the patient; and improperly charged a fee for a temporary restoration. As to patient B.I., respondent, as owner of the practice, charged the patient and submitted claims to an insurance company that did not accurately reflect the treatment performed, resulting in overpayment to the practice. That overpayment has now been refunded.

These facts appear to establish a basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(d), (e) and (h). However, it appearing that respondent desires to resolve these matters without admissions and without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 16th DAY OF October, 2013,

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent shall successfully complete 21 hours of remedial continuing education in diagnosis and treatment planning to include crown and bridge. These courses, which are in addition to the continuing education required for renewal, shall be completed within six (6) months of the entry of this Consent Order and shall be approved by the Board in writing prior to attendance. Respondent shall complete the attached continuing education course approvals and shall provide proof of successful completion of the required course work. "Successful completion" means that respondent has attended all sessions of the course, fully participated, and received a final evaluation of an unconditional pass. Respondent shall be entirely responsible for any and all costs or expenses relating to the course(s). A separate form shall be used for each course.

2. Respondent shall reimburse the patient identified in this order as T.O. the amount of \$7,200.00, and shall reimburse the patient identified in this order as J.G. the amount of \$3,560.00 for the provisional crown and upper and lower dentures. Separate certified checks or money orders made payable to T.O., and J.G. shall be sent within twenty-one (21) days of the entry date of this Consent Order to Jonathan Eisenmenger, Executive Director, Board of Dentistry, P.O. Box 45005, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07101. In the alternative, respondent shall make two (2) monthly payments of \$3,600.00 to T.O., with the first payment due upon the entry of this Consent Order and thereafter, a final payment of \$3,600.00 by November 15, 2013. Restitution check of \$3,560.00 to J.G. shall be made by certified check or money order by December 15, 2013. In the event that respondent does not make a timely payment, the full balance will immediately become due.

3. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22 in the amount of \$1,000.00 for improper insurance submissions. Payment of the penalty shall be made by certified check or money order, payable to the State of New Jersey and shall be sent to Jonathan Eisenmenger, Executive Director, P.O. Box 45005, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07101, by January 15, 2014.

4. Failure to remit any payment as required by this Order will result in the filing of a certificate of debt.

5. Failure to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Order may result in further disciplinary action.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

By: Sheila Dashkow
Sheila Dashkow, D.D.S.
Board President

I have read and understand this
Consent Order and agree to be
bound by its terms. I consent
to the entry of this order

Ahmad Sedehi, D.M.D.

Date 10-3-2013

I consent to the form and
entry of this order

Pamela Mandel, Esq.

Date October 3, 2013